

SOUTHERN FARM NOTES.

TOPICS OF INTEREST TO THE PLANTER, STOCKMAN AND TRUCK GROWER.

The Soy Bean.

A professor of the Virginia Experiment Station wrote to the Southern Planter a recommendation of the soy bean. It may not be as valuable for this State as the velvet bean, but it has one advantage that will be appreciated in many places, that it is not a climber. The velvet bean is such a rampant grower that it is difficult to keep it from overrunning the orange trees in a grove. The evidence seems to indicate that it is quite as good for stock and less trouble to get in shape for feeding.

The soy bean is one of our most valuable leguminous crops, rivaling the cowpea, and surpassing it in many sections where the elevation is high and the climate cool. It withstands a drought very well, and will thrive surprisingly well on poor, dry soils. Soy beans will grow under many conditions of soil and climate unfavorable to cowpeas and other legumes. The value of the soy bean as a soil improver has been known to the farmers of the State for many years, but the characteristics of the different varieties are, as a rule, not well understood. This is unfortunate, for some of these varieties are worthless, while others are good grain and forage producers.

Several varieties were grown on the station test plant last season which failed to mature seed, while others matured seed early in September.

The soy bean commonly used throughout the South is an excellent variety for many sections, but failed to mature seed at Blacksburg last season. This bean was sold by the seedmen without any variety name for many years, but was given the name of Mammoth Yellow by this station on account of its large growth and to distinguish it from other varieties. Lately this variety has been advertised by some of the seedmen under this name, and we hope to be able to get every seedman throughout the country to give the soy bean that they are selling some definite name, and then the useful qualities of the several varieties can be determined.

The best yielding varieties at this station last year were, first, the Japanese, which matured September 1, and gave a yield of 15.25 bushels per acre; the second best yielding variety was the Itho San Yellow, which matured seed September 17, and gave a yield of 14.3 bushels per acre; the third best yielding variety was the Extra Early Black, which matured September 1, and gave a yield of 13.2 bushels per acre. The Holybrook and Breck's soy bean, which are similar to the Mammoth Yellow, failed to mature seed at this station, but would not doubt do so on the Coastal plain region.

One can readily see that a great mistake could be made in buying seed of the soy bean without knowing the variety name and understanding something about its date of ripening and yielding power.

At present it is not known by the writer where seed of the Japanese pea soy bean can be obtained, but the Virginia Experiment Station expects to have seed of this variety to distribute in small quantities among the farmers of the State this fall.

Those receiving seed will be expected to grow the beans under our direction and sell them to their neighbors at a reasonable cost so that any desiring to test the value of this crop may have an opportunity to do so.

Any information concerning the different varieties of the soy bean or their value in the rotation will be cheerfully furnished to the station.

Cost of Keeping Hens.

Farm and Ranch gives the figures of the cost of keeping the hens and the best methods as follows:

Taking the hens as the basis—as the capital invested—the question of profit hinges on her utility, the amount it costs to feed her, and the number of eggs she can be made to or induced to lay in a year, or any given period of time. We are sure that this question is not taken very seriously by farmers, because they seldom give their hens any particular care or attention, and in a great many cases do not feed them at all, except in the non-productive winter season.

Still, the whole question of poultry keeping hinges right here, for no one would care to engage in a losing enterprise. There must be something tangible about it—something like a foundation to it, and the chances to gain by it through work and time devoted to it by those who are in earnest, seeking to solve the problem favorably, to their financial betterment.

To give facts that are of any value to others, a person can only fully and truthfully recite personal experience. The writer, as most of our readers know, is a keeper of poultry, and has had much to say on the subject in these columns, and in other papers of similar class, for a period of twenty years. And yet, our experience is limited, and we stand open to conviction.

Items of Interest.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles, speaking in Nebraska, expressed the fear that the race problems confronting the United States may make a change in the form of government necessary.

Hundreds of Jews killed or wounded in a massacre at Blaystok, Russia, which was started by a Jewish anarchist throwing a bomb at a religious procession.

Better Keep a Cow.

The Southern Ruralist asks some questions and then gives some good advice. Only those who have had a cow that gave an abundant supply of milk and butter, and have then been without, can appreciate the value of such a comfort.

How many cows do you keep on your farm? Do you have all the milk and butter you need for family, and do you make any to sell? These are pertinent questions, friends, for if you fail to have all the milk and butter you need for home consumption you don't live. The writer remembers, when we only had one cow at the Ruralist farm, and when she went dry, how we were forced to resort to the tin cow, and eat store butter until she came in again. Things went mighty dry, I can tell you. The cornbread was hard and the biscuit didn't taste natural. Even Ted, the dog, sniffed at his dinner suspiciously, and ate slowly and with little relish. We stood it for a while, and then we bought another cow and began to live again. Our stomachs once more regained that comfortable feeling, and we feel sure that a case of indigestion was averted. Not only this, but the spirits of the cook revived, and we were no longer ashamed to invite friends home to dinner. Better keep a cow, friends, and be happy and healthy.

Current Events.

William E. Wilcker was found guilty at Lexington, Va., of the murder of Henry J. Smith.

People of Warren and Rappahannock counties are trying to build a railroad between Front Royal and Richmond.

The French Cabinet's declaration of policy was read in the Senate and Chamber of Deputies.

Plantation Philosophy.

Red hair isn't so bad in a dark room.

The stomach ache seems a good deal worse when you didn't have any fun in getting it.

What a man can't understand is the way mosquitoes will bite him when there are pretty girls around.

The nice thing about an old horse and rig is the way they don't break down on pleasant days, like automobiles.

Riches have wings, they say, but poverty isn't built that way.

Let dogs delight to bark and bite, but let not men—it isn't right.

A hit in time may save the nine, and a kick unkick may save a fine.

A penny saved is a penny earned, but in a fool's pocket 'tis a pocket burned.

After dinner sit a while, after supper walk a mile, and if another settles—smile.

A drowning man at a straw will clutch, and a man that's thirsty will do as much.

The Old Mole that speeds around underground, humping itself regardless, is a scientific puzzle. Where it hatches itself, where it gets its dynamic "go" and where when it will bob up next may be known to those who "know it all," but the learned investigators of the world are still speculating on the subject.

THE FAVORITE DISH.

Ascum. Some of our everyday expressions puzzle me greatly. For instance, what does "apple-pie order" mean, anyway?

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Resourceful Man.

The late James E. Martin, brother of Bradley Martin, was a man of old-fashioned integrity and the illegal practices of many noted financiers and corporations angered and shocked him.

In a discussion of a certain much-investigated company Mr. Martin said one day:

This concern seems always to have found it easy to break the law. It has been as ready and resourceful as a tenant I once had.

"My tenant was an enthusiastic pigeon flyer. One day he took a pigeon in a bag to the Grant monument, intending to time its flight home. But when he took the bird out of the bag a policeman came up and said:

"What are you doing there?" "Getting ready to fly this pigeon," said my tenant.

"You can't fly no pigeons here," said the policeman.

"Why not?" the tenant asked.

"It's against the law—that's why not," said the policeman. "If you try it I shall be obliged to lock you up."

"My tenant placed the pigeon on the ground, stroked it and said to it gravely: 'I can't toss you up here, for it's against the law, so you must walk home. Do you hear? You must walk home.'—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Early to bed and early to rise too most city people would be a surprise—yet many are healthy, wealthy and wise.

KNOWS NOW.

Doctor Was Fooled by His Own Case For a Time.

It's easy to understand how ordinary people get fooled by coffee when doctors themselves sometimes forget the facts.

A physician speaks of his own experience:

"I had used coffee for years and really did not exactly believe it was injuring me, although I had palpitation of the heart every day."

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